Proposals from Andhra Pradesh pending with CWC

2314. DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of proposals from the State of Andhra Pradesh pending with the Central Water Commission;

(b) since when these projects are pending with Commission; and

(c) by when these projects will be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JAY PRAKASH NARAYAN YADAV): (a) to (c) Out of 27 irrigation project proposals of Andhra Pradesh for which detailed project reports were received in the Central Water Commission for techno-economic appraisal from time to time, 17 projects have been accepted by the Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Water Resources subject to certain observations; Compliance to which are awaited from the State Government for according investment clearance by the Planning Commission. The remaining 10 irrigation projects are under various stages of appraisal to establish the techno-economic viability before they could be considered for acceptance by the Advisory Committee. The clearance of the projects depends upon the promptness with which the State Government comply with the observations of the Central appraising agencies.

Inclusion of river erosion in Natural Calamity Management Act

2315. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the issue of river erosion is yet to be included in the National Calamity Management Act, 2000;

(b) if so, whether the erosion by the river Brahmaputra and its tributaries has turned into a serious problem for Assam;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Central Government has still not given due attention to the problem and even it was not included in the list of calamities; and